

## Postal Regulatory Commission

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

### NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on October 31, 2011, the Commission received a petition for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the Scottville post office located in Scottville, Illinois. The petition for review was filed by Mark Keeney, Mayor (Petitioner) and is postmarked October 26, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than November 15, 2011.



Shoshana M. Grove  
Secretary

Date: November 14, 2011

Attachment

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October 24, 2011

Postal Regulatory Commission  
Office of the Chief Admin. Officer

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
901 NEW YORK AVENUE NW SUITE 200  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

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The Postal Service has informed us of a decision to close our post office by December, 2011. This action is being taken after meeting the provisions of the Postal Reorganization Act of 1970, and over our protestations.

We, the customers of the Scottville Post Office, vigorously protest this action, in view of the provision in the Postal Reorganization Act that calls for the Postal Service to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal service to rural areas, communities and small towns where the post office is not self-sustaining.

The Postal Service's decision to close our post office and provide rural delivery service raises questions concerning the sanctity of the mail and the risks involved in the handling of mail by non-career employees. We also foresee inconveniences in purchasing money orders and stamps, and sending accountable mail. We have the same concerns regarding the receipt of accountable mail, such as certified letters, registered letters and CODs.

The Postal Service's decision to consolidate our post office with the Modesto Post Office is being done over our objections. This will mean the loss of our identity as a community. We will not have a postmaster to whom we can take our problems, complaints and compliments. We will be directed to a distant postmaster in the home office of our station.

We cannot see any savings to the Postal Service under this arrangement. The clerk in charge of the station will be earning as much as our postmaster and, more than likely, will not be a resident of our community.

We feel that, as citizens of the United States, we are entitled to the same efficient postal service provided to our counterparts in urban areas. The Postal Reorganization Act is explicit in pointing this out. We petition you, as members of the Postal Regulatory Commission, to respectfully consider our protest and order the Postal Service to give additional considerations to our service needs.

Respectfully,



Mayor Mark Keeney  
Village of Scottville  
Scottville, Illinois 62683

Scottville Post Office  
District Manager,  
Customer Service and Sales  
United State Postal Service  
Scottville, IL 62683

We, the citizens and customers of the Scottville Post Office hereby protest any change in the present status of our post office.

It is our desire to retain our post office at its present status- a United States post office operated by a postmaster and career postal employees.

We have many concerns, among them the sanctity of the mail and the inconvenience your proposal presents to us in delivering and sending the mail, particularly accountable mail. We are especially concerned over what effect your proposed action would have regarding the purchase of postal money orders. We are also well aware of the documented abuses possible through a contract mail station.

The Postal Reorganization Act of 1970 calls for providing a maximum degree of effective and regular postal service to rural areas, communities and small towns where post office are not financially self-sustaining.

We do not feel your proposals meet these criteria.

Sincerely,  
Customers of the Scottville Post Office:

Name	Mailing Address	Date
Village of Scottville		7-18-2011
Mark Keeney, Mayor		
Mary Frances Keeney		1. 62683 7-18-2011
Edna J. Keeney		IL 62674 7-18-2011
Mark Keeney		7-18-11
Bill M Elford		62673 7/19/11
Scottville Township		7/19/11